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REMARKS ON THE CURRENCY.

BRITAIN, foiled in her attempts to conquer America by force, is now carrying on a war of finance. The field of battle is changed for the field of the budget; and the longeſt purſe aided by the beſt ſchemes for raiſing or creating a revenue, will in a great meaſure determine the point. By force ſhe cannot conquer. Her arts to cajole has been tried in vain. The laſt reſource then is finance.

Scheme after ſcheme has been propoſed in the newſ-papers, yet all of them have paſſed away without leaving ſo much as an impreſſion upon the mind. For my own part, I have not yet propoſed any, and that which I have now to propoſe, is different from every other which has gone before it. We are now to be in juſt the ſame ſituation with regard to finance, as we were in regard to independence, on the firſt day of January 1776, and the plan that muſt put us right, muſt be as foreign to every temporiſing expedient, as independence was foreign to ſubmiſſion.

Strange as it may appear to ſome, yet I cannot but lay it down as a truth, not to be controverted, that the abilities of the United States to ſupport a war of finance, are at this very time, far ſuperiour to any and every ability which Britain can exert. So far from our being conquered, we cannot even be hurt by a war of this ſort, if we will but adopt and purſue right plans; and the preſent condition we are in, naturally affords this opening.

While there remained forty millions of dollars in the continental treaſury, it was conſiſtent with national policy to limit the depreciation by bringing the prices of commodities to ſome ſtandard, becauſe the increaſed value would have roſe as well on the money in the treaſury as on that which was out. But as the treaſury is now empty the caſe is widely different; and were it practicable it would now be the moſt iniquitous ſcheme imaginable to lay a tax on the publick to make them pay for what they never received. A merchant aſks 30 or 40 pounds for a gallon of rum, and a miller 90 or 100 pounds for a hundred weight of flour; the real value of the firſt is not above five or ſix ſhillings ſterling, and of the other not above twenty or twenty five; and the price they get will more than purchaſe that quantity of ſterling money; conſequently they have all that is due to them and the publick owes them nothing. Neither have they any right to expect the money ſhould be made better, and as it cannot be made better but by a tax on ſomebody elſe, therefore a tax for this purpoſe would be to rob many to enrich a few, which I am perſuaded no honeſt man deſires. There is a faith which government is bound under to the publick, not to ſee them injured, and there is likewiſe a juſtice due to the individual, that he has his right, and this makes up the line which government has now to ſteer.

The value then of the preſent debt of America which is contained in the currency, is juſt as much property as it will purchaſe, and it is no more. The whole two hundred millions of dollars will not now purchaſe above three millions and an half of hard dollars. This ſum then and no more is the value of the ſums we owe, and all that we have now to pay. How we come to be ſo nearly out of debt I ſhall now proceed to ſhow.

The depreciation, in whatever other light it may be viewed, has operated, not as an artificial, but an actual diſcharge of one hundred and ninety ſix millions and an half, out of two hundred millions; and ſurely we ſhould not only be exceedingly unwiſe, but cruelly unjuſt to ourſelves, to pay a debt twice over. It is enough to pay once, and he who does that does honeſtly. That ſome will get rich, and others poor, is the natural revolution of things, as well in peace as war, and is not to be placed to the depreciation. I believe there are many who have been in publick ſtations that have robbed the country, and ſuch wretches there will always be, but perhaps they would have robbed it a great deal more, had it not been for the depreciation, which hourly diſſolved away their ill-gotten wealth. But individual caſes is not the queſtion; for if we take people generally, let their rank, their employments or their principles be what they may, and examine what their profits have been for five years paſt, we ſhall find they have made no advance in property, compared with what was uſually made in the ſame number of years at any other time, or with what will be their profits the firſt five years after the war. For my own part, I have loſed, and ſo have others, but I have not gained a farthing, which I am ſure I ſhould have done, had it not been for the depreciation. The depreciation then became my tax, and this has been the caſe more or leſs with every man in America. A while ago I received two thouſand three hundred dollars, and by the time I had kept it a few days, the three hundred in point of value were melted away. Where, I aſk, is it gone to? No body has robbed me, I had the ſame number as before. The anſwer I think is very eaſy. It is gone towards getting the United States out of debt, and thank God for it is near deliverance.

Having ſtated what the remaining part of the debt is, I ſhall now compare it generally with the property which the United States have in balance againſt it. For this three millions and a half of dollars, which grow leſs every while I am writing it, ſhe has all the continental frigates, veſſels of war or others, all the cannon, artillery, arms, ammunition, and what is more, all the army and ſailors in the navy that are now enliſted. This being truly the caſe, I aſk, whether at the beginning of the war we could have raiſed ſuch an army, built and manned the fleet conſiſting of veſſels, and procured all the naval and military property we now poſſeſs, for four times the ſum we now owe; and whether we ſhould not have thought ourſelves the moſt fortunate people upon earth could the ſame things come ready prepared to our hands for leſs than the price of our preſent debt. Why then do we ſtand folding our arms as if ſomething was the matter. Are we ſorry becauſe we are ſo nearly out of debt and the world fresh and fair before us. I feel a heart as cheerful as the morning at the proſpect of theſe things. For what was dreaded as an evil is become our deliverance. We are this day more able than we ever were. Out of debt, all but the laſt chalk; and thank God, out of danger.

A FRIEND IN TIME OF NEED.

LONDON, *December* 9.

Extract of a letter from the Hague, *Nov.* 25.

LETTERS from Amſterdam give an account that Paul Jones, in conſequence of the injunctions of the States General to ſail with the firſt fair wind, had actually ſailed, but that the famous Capt. Cunningham, who eſcaped out of priſon in England, and was to have gone with Jones, has altered his intention, and is gone to Paris.

"The Engliſh Ambaſſadour certainly received the anſwer from the States General to his laſt memorial on Saturday, the ſubſtance of which has been already publiſhed; and we are further informed, that the cities of Dordrecht, Haerlem, Amſterdam, Rotterdam, Schiedam, and the Brille, particularly the three laſt, have proteſted highly againſt the contents of the anſwer, and have even had their proteſtations regiſtered, and in which they required the expreſſion "to oblige Paul Jones by force to ſail, if he would not do it by fair means," ſhould be raiſed from the ſaid anſwer, as being incompatible with the dignity of the republick, and may, in future, be prejudicial to it, &c. But the corps of Nobles, and the other towns reported, that it was not time now to be buſied with ſuch minutiæ, and inſiſted that the anſwer ſhould be delivered to the Engliſh Ambaſſadour as it was; for which there was alſo a majority of voices in the Aſſembly."

Letters from America affert, that Congreſs had ſent orders to all the ſea ports in America, to ſtop the ſailing of any veſſels laden with proviſions for the French Weſt India iſlands till further orders.

The Venture, Leake from Madeira to New York, is taken and carried into Boſton.

The plan of Miniſtry, to meet the (ſtiled) unanimous vote of the Iriſh Houſe of Commons, is a meaſure of naming fifteen members of the Britiſh and fifteen members of the Iriſh Houſe, to meet together in London, for the purpoſe of conſidering the propoſals laid before them, and their report to be laid before the Britiſh Parliament. Will the Iriſh ſubmit to this evaſive unmeaning deciſion.

Extract of a letter from Bourdeaux, *Nov.*

"According to the report of the Captains of French veſſels arrived in our river from Martinique, &c. returning from that place ſince the 4th inſt. ſeveral veſſels of Sept. viz. l'Amitié, l'Alliance, le Bellone, la Nouvelle Marſeillaiſe, la Martialloiſe, le Vigilant, la Pauline, la Gracieuſe."

The Spitfire privateer, Capt. White, belonging to Liverpool, foundered at ſea, and all the crew periſhed excepting two.

It was yeſterday confidently aſſerted, that advice was received of the arrival of the Britiſh fleet from the weſt Indies at ſea, with the whole convoy which ſailed ſome time ago from Rhode iſland, &c. &c.

The Rebecca, letter of marque, Capt. [illegible] bound from Lancaſter to Antigua, [illegible] was taken, to the weſtward of cape Finiſterre, by the Fame, Captain Salik, of 450 tons, bound from Martinique to Bourdeaux, laden with 300 hogſheads of ſugar, coffee, cotton, indigo, &c. and after a ſpirited engagement of three hours carried her ſafe into Liſbon. She is valued at 20,000l.

On Friday came to the Nore in Jerſey ſtore, Governour Vaughan, who arrived on Tueſday laſt at Portſmouth, from St. John's, Newfoundland. The frigate in which the above Gentleman came paſſenger was eſcorted by a 74 gun ſhip, which foundered and went down, and every perſon periſhed, in a violent ſtorm off the banks of Newfoundland. The frigate was likewiſe in the greateſt diſtreſs, the having ſprung a leak, was obliged to heave her guns overboard, when the Tortola, ſeeing the frigate in diſtreſs, bore down to her, and took their hands on board.

Extract of a letter from Falmouth, *Dec.* 7.

"Arrived the St. Antonio, Bernardo, a Spaniſh prize, laden with hides, taken by the [illegible] privateer, who took out of her 3500 dollars, which ſhe had on board."

The Elizabeth, Broomfield, from Newfoundland to a market, is taken and carried into Boſton.

The Chance, Liddle, from St. Lucia to New York, is taken by the Lively privateer, and carried into Stonington.

Lord Gower's declaration in the House of Lords, last night, ought to alarm and convince every man in the kingdom of the dreadful situation we are in, when his Lordship, an late President of the Council, and supposed to know all the Cabinet secrets, publickly declared, "That there was no salvation for this country, if other ministers were not pursued, and that immediately." This is not, as the Ministry have often said, the language of fair opposition; it comes from one who was the first officer of the Council, and who was driven from the board by the impossibility of acting any longer for the good of his country.

A vessel called Le Franche Compte, Captain Le [illegible], bound from Guadaloupe to Boordeaux, laden with sugars, coffee, cotton, &c. is taken by [illegible], and carried into King-Road.

The command of the grand fleet now at Spithead, in the absence of Sir Charles Hardy, devolves on Admiral Barrington, the second in command.

BASSATERRE, *Jan.* 10.

A [illegible] of violent hurricanes have been off the windward [illegible] for these three or four days past, [illegible] Cape of this isle, a frigate, a large, [illegible] is reported they are *French* [illegible], who, to avoid famine, have [illegible] with their naval force [illegible] It is hoped, however, that [illegible] will intercept them on their return, [illegible] first to carry us succours from Antigua, [illegible] by a few days ago.

[illegible] of their frigates, lately on their [illegible] which place they went to with [illegible] by Admiral Rowley, and Spiryan [illegible] from St. Eustatius, by Captain Byron, [illegible] the Admiral on this ship, saying afraid [illegible] this island.

[illegible] chased the French frigates from [illegible] of Montserrat, until 5 last of the line; [illegible] Guadaloupe, the wind being very [illegible] the Frenchmen were entirely becalmed [illegible] this island; the English ships carried the [illegible] them, until they got within shot of the [illegible] they struck. They are the L'Fortune [illegible], 36 twelve pounders on the deck; the [illegible] 32, and one of 28 guns, with a tender.

[illegible] report was going to press, we were informed [illegible] the squadron at Dominique, by Admiral [illegible]

[illegible] Captain [illegible] has the honour [illegible] Captain [illegible], from Cape Breton; he saw a [illegible] of Barbadoes, [illegible] of the Antilles, [illegible] having their flags of truce, but the [illegible] were down, and would take him of his way [illegible]

[illegible] the 5th of January the Admiral made the [illegible] of the enemy's squadron, which is [illegible] dispersed on an [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

FOR SALE,

MY lots and houses in the city of *Williamsburg*, formerly the property of *Mr. Perrin* of *Gloucester*. There are three lots, whereon is an exceeding good dwelling-house, with almost every convenient outhouse. For terms apply to me at *Jamestown*, or Mr. *Benjamin C. Waller*, of the last city.

(1f) EDWARD TRAVIS.

N. B. The subscriber has also for sale, a blacksmith, extremely well acquainted with the business.

FOR sale, at *Amelia* court-house, on the 25th of *May*, for tobacco, a fine STILL, containing 150 gallons. Credit will be given until *November* courts (1) JOHN WINN.

For SALE, for cash, young negroes, or tobacco,

A TRACT of land on *Henson's* creek in the lower end of *Louisa* county, containing 642 acres, whereon is a tolerable dwelling-house, negro quarters, and other necessary houses, with a good apple and peach orchard, and a sufficient quantity of cleared land to work 6 or 8 hands.

(1f) WILLIAM TERRELL.

To be RENTED until the 1st day of January *next, to the highest bidder, on Monday the 3d of* April, *at the premises, in the town of* Richmond,

THE cool and convenient house known by the name of *Gunn's* tavern, with kitchen, dairy, and smoke-house, all commodious and in good repair; a paled in garden inferiour to none in the town for its richness and situation; also a new post and railed lot adjacent, and yard well paled in; the whole lying on the north side of the main street adjoining *Shockoe* creek. At the same time and place will be rented during the said term, a large and well inclosed lot on the south side of the said street, and opposite the aforesaid tenement. Also one half of a large two story lumber house, at present occupied as a publick magazine: The whole belonging to the estate of *Joshua Storrs*, deceased. Bond and security will be required, and immediate possession given. (2f)

On the 20th of April next, if fair, otherwise next fair day, will be sold at Fredericksburg, pursuant to the will of the late General Hugh Mercer,

THREE tracts of patented land, containing 300 acres each, lying on the river *Youghiogania*, near *Stewart's* trotting place: Besides the advantage this land has of being equal in quality to any in that country, it commands a navigation into the *Ohio*, and lays on the communication to *Kentucky* by land. The three surveys are together, and will be sold separate, or in a body as may suit the purchasers. At the same time will be sold, a lease of a small lot on the main street of *Fredericksburg*, whereon is a building that may serve for a store or dwelling-house, with a number of useful medical books, *&c.* The above articles will be sold for ready money, tobacco, or loan office certificates.—All persons indebted to the estate are once more requested to make satisfaction; and such as have claims against it, to make them known. The holders of bonds of said *Mercer's*, are hereby warned, that if they do not apply for payment on or before the day of sale, the Executors will refuse to allow interest that may accrue thereon after. Those who have any books belonging to said estate are desired to return them by the 20th of *April*.

(1) THE EXECUTORS.

To be SOLD, to the highest bidder, at King & Queen *court-house, on* Monday *the 10th day of* April *next,*

TWENTY likely *Virginia* born negroes, consisting of men, women, boys, and girls. Credit will be allowed the purchaser till the 1st day of *April* 1781, giving bond and approved security, bearing interest from the date. 2f ROBERT PRICE.

N. B. At the same time there will be several negroes sold for ready money.

ALL persons that are indebted to the estate of *Henry Bowcock*, deceased, of *York* county, are desired to make immediate payment; and all those that have any demands against the said estate, to apply for payment before next *York* court, as I propose settling the said estate at that time.

2f JAMES SOUTHALL, Executor.

THE NOTED HORSE

YORICK, lately the property of the Hon. *John Taylor* of *Richmond* county, in great perfection, will cover mares this season at my house in *Amelia* county, near the court-house, at 250 weight of inspected tobacco the season, and 125 the leap, if paid by the 25th of *December* next, and if not discharged by that time, 300 weight of inspected tobacco the season, and 250 the leap. Good pasturage under strong fences, and entertainment for servants attending mares, *gratis*, and the greatest care will be taken of the mares, but will not be liable for escapes or thefts. (2f) DANIEL JONES.

APPAMATTOX, *March* 24, 1780.

REMUS, a beautiful high bred dapple grey, full 15½ hands high, in great perfection, stands at my stable to cover mares at 8 bushels of wheat the season, or 4 the leap, if in money, at the price wheat sells for when paid. *Remus* is the son of the famous horse *Dove*, out of a full blooded mare. He won purse both at *Annapolis* and *Baltimore*. He is a sure horse, his colts large, strong and active. Good pasturage *gratis*, till the middle of *August*, but will not be answerable for misfortunes, though every precaution shall be taken to prevent any.

(1f) JOHN BAIRD.

BRILLIANT, now rising 5 years old, a fine bay, 15 hands high, will stand at my house, in the forks of *Meherrin*, to cover mares at two barrels of corn the season, to be paid at my house, and those that live at a distance must pay equivalent in cash, at *Boyd's Hungar* tavern, to be settled by Captain *George Dabney*, and *Thomas Price*, Esqrs; and those that put by the leap, 50 dollars cash. *Brilliant* was got by *Old Fearnought*, his dam by *Old James*, his grandam by Col. *Baylor's Slender*, and his great grandam by *Old James*. Pasturage *gratis*, but will not be answerable for accidents, though good care shall be taken, and those mares that come a distance I will be at the trouble to move to a plantation of mine, about 5 miles off, where I shall have good pasturage.

(1) JOHN THORNTON,

To be SOLD on Monday the 24th of April, by the sheriff of Surry county,

A TRACT of land lying on *Chipoax* creek, containing about 300 acres, to be laid off on lots agreeable to an act of Assembly, and a separate lot of land, containing about two acres, with a dwelling-house and store-house upon it, lying on the creek, the property of *Mr. Richard Oswald* of *London*. Also a negro fellow, the property of *Mr. William Hunter*, sen.

(1) JAMES BELSCHES, Escheator.

EDGCUMBE county (*N. C.*) *March* 14.

ABSCONDED from my service, sometime in *April* last, a negro man slave named JACK, about 28 or 30 years old, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, well made, and very black, has lost an upper foretooth, talks *French*, and has had the smallpox; he is the property of *Roderick Lloyd* an infant son of *Nicholas Lloyd*. I have reason to suspect that one *Joseph Bowles* have stolen or enticed him away, and have sold him by a forged bill of sale. Whoever will bring the said negro to the subscriber, or inform him in whose possession he is, shall receive a reward of 500l.

(1) NICHOLAS LLOYD.

THERE has been at the subscriber's plantation, in *King William* county, for some winters past, a red steer with the following marks: A crop, two slits, an underkeel and overkeel in the right, and a crop, two slits, and an underkeel in the left ear. The proprietor proving his property must make application to *William Hays*, my overseer. The steer was appraised to 30l. (1f) JOHN WHITE.

TAKEN up at *Rojin*, in *Chesterfield*, a bay horse, about 4 feet 8 or 9 inches high, with a hanging mane and switch tail, a small star in his forehead, no perceivable brand. Posted and appraised to 500l.

(1) CHARLES DUNCAN.

FOR SALE,

THE well known horse REGULUS, now in fine condition for the ensuing season. His price L. 5000, of which 1000 in hand; for the remainder may be had, two or three years credit. The reason he is offered for sale, the subscriber has several colts of his getting now coming on. He will also dispose of the imported mare MARY GREY, and the grand high bred mare JENNY CAMERON.

(2) WILLIAM BLACK.

MARCH 13, 1780.

TO be let to the lowest bidder the building a BRIDGE over *Appomattox* river, at *Pocahontas*, on *Saturday* the 15th of *April*, by the

(2) COMMISSIONERS.

TO be SOLD, in *Amherst* county, 385 acres of exceeding good land, lying on *James* river, part of which is low ground, with a large plantation and sundry buildings, in good order for cropping; a dwelling, and other convenient houses, an extraordinary apple and peach orchard, and an excellent spring of water issuing from the hill-side, with good stable, leading to and from the farm, and very good ordinary. Bonds with will be required. For terms apply to the subscriber on the premises.

(2f) HENRY TERRELL.

To be SOLD, at the house of Mrs. *Hollis*, in *Williamsburg*, on *Thursday* the 20th of *April*, if fair, if not the first fair day after,

THE HOUSE and LAND, and other PROPERTY of *John Coutts*, with

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WE [illegible] the estate of the late Mr. *Peter Randolph*, deceased, do hereby give notice, that we intend to apply to the next court of *Chesterfield* county, for leave to build a water grist mill on the land whereon the said *Peter Randolph* lived at the time of his death, on a branch of *Swift Creek*, called *Randolph's* mill dam, and that we shall then and there pray that the said court will appoint proper persons to view the premises, and report to the next court thereafter, whether the same will be a nuisance to the neighbourhood or not.

(3) JOHN RANDOLPH,
EDMUND RANDOLPH,
RICHARD RANDOLPH.

AN actual survey of the lands granted by the commonwealth of *Virginia* to [illegible] and company, on the *Ohio*, at the mouth of [illegible] river, is now making. A distinct plan and map of the whole will be laid before the proprietors and those interested therein at *Hillsborough* in *North Carolina*, on the 6th day of *October* next, when the proprietors, as original proprietors will proceed to divide the same in proportion to their several claims by lot, or some other equitable manner, at which all persons any way interested are desired to attend and give their attendance, either in person or by their attorneys, as it is intended the whole business of division and settling titles shall then be finished.

(3) RICHARD HENDERSON & CO.

EDENTON, *March* 6, 1780.

THE subscriber has several vessels, some of them pilot boats, which he will dispose of, either as they lay, or furnish materials for them, as may be agreed upon. (6‡) WILLIAM SAVAGE.

I HAVE for sale, in the county of *Rutherford*, a tract of LAND, containing about 5000 acres, known by the name of *Mumford's* cove. The land is equal in quality to any on the continent. It lies within two miles of *Charlestown*, 80 of *Salesbury*, and 150 of *Cross* creek. A further description of the land would be needless, as no person would buy without first viewing the premises. For terms apply to me near *Halifax* town, *North Carolina*.

(9°) HENRY MONTFORT.

JOHNSTON county (*N. C.*) *Feb.* 9, 1780.

THE subscriber being about to remove to *Kentucky*, has for sale, the well known plantation whereon he lives, lying near the town of *Smithfield*, containing 2000 acres of land, lying on both sides of *Neuse* river, on which are all convenient houses, suitable for a tavern, store, &c. together with an excellent saw and grist mill. Also lots in the said town, and sundry other plantations and tracts of land; in the whole about 10,000 acres; a parcel of household and kitchen furniture, and a large quantity of stock. For terms apply to (4‡) JOHN SMITH.

THE NOBLE BRED IMPORTED HORSE

OSCAR, a beautiful brown, full 15 hands 3 inches high, stands the ensuing season at my plantation in *Goochland*, and will cover mares at 40 dollars the season, or 250 dollars the season to be paid when the mares are taken with foal, or 300 dollars the season to be paid when they are served. *Oscar* was got by *Fearnought*, his dam by Lord *Morton's Arabian*, his grandam by *Old Crab*, his great grandam by *Old Partner*, out of *Lady Bolton's* dam. Very good pasturage is provided, equal to any in the country, for such mares as go from the season, and the greatest care will be taken of them, but I will not be accountable for accidents.

THOMAS BOLLING.

THE NOBLE MOORED HORSE

OLD SELIM, now in high perfection, stands at the subscriber's plantation in *Northampton* county, near *Taylor's* bridge, about 63 miles below *Nicks's* ford, and will cover mares the ensuing season at 25l. the season (cash) and 30l. the season, if paid by the first day of *October* next, if not paid by that day 40l. and all mares going to pasture, and grass provided, will be charged 50l. the season. Every care will be taken of them, but I will not be accountable for accidents. (5‡) WILLIAM BLUNT.

HEROD, stands at my house, in *James City* county, and will cover mares this season at 40 dollars the season, and 40 dollars the single leap. He was got by *Old Fearnought* out of a *Partner* mare, the grandam by *Old Tally*, and great grandam by *Silver Heels*. I furnish pasturage *gratis*, but will not be accountable for accidents of escapes.

RICHARD TALIAFERRO.

N. B. No money will be received without the money.

CAMDEN, a beautiful chestnut, rising 6 years old, of an elegant form, stands at my house about five miles above *King* & *Queen* courthouse, and will cover mares this season at 40 dollars the leap, and 40l. the season; the money for the leap to be paid when the mares are covered; and that for the season before they are taken away. *Camden* was got by *Old Janus*, out of the noted running mare *Mill Flower*, *Mill Flower* was got by *Tally Ho*, out of this famous imported mare *Mary Gray*, *Mary Gray* was bred by *John Croft*, *Esq*; of *Yorkshire*, and got by *Edward Lisle's Old Sterling*, out of *Mr. Croft's* celebrated mare; this chestnut mare was got by *Snake*, out of the grandam of *Lampton's* grey mare *Miss Dot*; *Miss Dot* was got by *Mr. Croft's* bay horse *Dot*, his dam by *Matchem*, her grandam by *Brimmer*, her great grandam by a son of *Old Basthworth*, out of a full blood Arab mare. I have upwards of 500 acres of good pasturage, gratis, but will not be accountable for accidents; however, no pains shall be spared to prevent either.

HARRY GAINES.

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS

WILL be given to any person who will deliver to me in *Mecklenburg* county, or three hundred if secured in any county jail, so that I get him, CONWAY, a likely negro fellow, about 25 years old, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, well made, and very active; he is a fellow pretty well known in *Petersburg*, where I expect he is now kept concealed by some of his old acquaintances, or perhaps has engaged to work with a blacksmith, as that is his trade, and so pass as a freeman; he can read and write, though not well, and was formerly the property of *Andrew Johnston*. (4‡) RICHARD SWEPSON.

STATELY, a high formed beautiful bay, rising 6 years old, full 16 hands and an half high, handsomely marked, moves well, and is perfectly sound, will stand at *Coggin's* point, in *Prince George* county, to cover mares this season, at three barrels of corn the last, or five of the next crop. Such was the pasturage and care taken the last year, that scarcely a mare sent to my horse, but was taken away fat and with foal, which shall be equaled this season, having provided not only the same, but more extensive pasturage. *Stately* was got by *Partner*, his dam by *Fearnought*, his grandam by *Sober John* out of a high blooded imported mare. His price 50,000 weight of upland tobacco, other produce or cash equivalent.

(1) EDMUND RUFFIN, Jun.

FREDERICKSBURG, *March* 7, 1780.

AS the subscriber intends to leave this state shortly, for a few months, he purposes to sell his plantation, about 7 miles from this place, containing 400 acres, on which are exceeding good peach and apple orchards, a pretty good dwelling-house and kitchen, with brick chimnies, a dairy, smoke-house, and a good garden well paled in; also a good barn, corn-house, and other necessary outhouses. He would sell at the same time, all the stocks of cattle, sheep, hogs, &c. as likewise some negroes, with the plantation utensils. It is well fenced in, and preparations are making for a crop of corn, and a large field sown with wheat and rye. He can furnish the person that may purchase, with some kitchen and household furniture. The terms may be known, and premises shown, at any time by the subscriber in this place.

(†) WILLIAM PORTER.

JOHNSTON county (*N. C.*) *Feb.* 9, 1780.

THE subscriber being about to remove to *Kentucky*, will barter for negroes, the plantation whereon he lives, containing 750 acres, lying on both sides of *Mill* creek (a branch of *Neuse* river) with a tolerable dwelling-house, and all convenient outhouses thereon. Also another plantation, containing 500 acres of excellent wheat and corn land, on *Neuse* river, about 200 of which is cleared, and under an extra fence; Sundry other tracts of land, about 5000 acres; the whole of which is situated in as good range for horses, cattle, and hogs, as any place in the state. Also about 200 head of cattle, my whole stock of hogs, and a quantity of household and kitchen furniture. (6‡) THOMAS LEE.

A GENTLEMAN of character and liberal education, who is willing to undertake the education of three young Gentlemen, to whom the subscriber is guardian, will meet with encouragement adequate to the importance of the charge he will undertake, by applying to him in *Prince George* county. His salary, in order to secure him from any ill effects arising from the depreciation of our currency, will be fixed in the commodities of the country, if agreeable to him. An immediate application is desired.

tf THEODORICK BLAND, Jun.

EDENTON (*North Carolina*) *Jan.* 17, 1780.

THE copartnership of *Savage & Westmore* being expired, it is requested that all persons who have any claims against that concern, will send their accounts immediately in, that the same may be adjusted and paid; and all persons indebted to them in the states, are requested to make payment within three months from this date to prevent their being sued, which will be extremely disagreeable to us.

(12‡) W. SAVAGE.
JOSEPH WESTMORE.

One Thousand Dollars reward, or One Hundred and Fifty for each.

DESERTED from my company of state artillery, stationed in *York* garrison, the following soldiers, viz. *John Johnston*, an *Irishman*, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, well made, black eyes, blue coat faced with red, brown waistcoat and breeches, loves to drink, and at that time will boast of his manhood. *John Lewis*, an *Englishman*, about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, fair complexion, short brown hair, pitted with the smallpox, had on the above uniform. *William Black*, an *Irishman*, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, has a particular cast in his eyes, short brown hair, had on the above uniform with a pair of sailors trousers. *Peter Luthie*, a *Prussian*, speaks broken *English*, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, short brown hair, has a surly look, had on the above uniform. *Christopher Magee*, an *Englishman*, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, loves liquor, and at that time will be apt to rangle, short brown hair, pitted with the smallpox, had on the above uniform. *George Fitzpatrick*, an *Irishman*, about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, much pitted with the smallpox, slender made, short brown hair, had on the above uniform. *Thomas Newton*, an *Irishman*, about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, full faced, very lusty made, short hair, and had on the above uniform. I will pay the above reward if delivered to the commanding officer at *Williamsburg*, *York*, *Hampton*, or *Portsmouth*.

GIDEON JOHNSTON, Capt. St. Art.

TAKEN up, in *Pittsylvania* county, on *Sandy* river, 3 head of cattle: One a brindled cow, about 9 years old, some white in her face, marked with a crop in the left ear and slit in the right. One other a red steer, about 3 years old, marked the same as the cow, with a black spot on his near thigh. And the other a large red steer, about 6 years old, with a white face, some white under his belly, shewd horns, and marked with a crop and two slits in each ear. The cow appraised to 50l. the white face steer to 30l. and the red steer to 26l. (1) JOHN SMITH.

TAKEN up at my plantations in *Loudoun* county, near *Leesburg*, the following strays, viz. A dark red cow, marked with a crop in the right ear and a half crop from the underside of the left, 8 years old; a brindled pied cow, with a crop in the right ear and slit in the left, 8 years old; a light red cow, with a white face, of the same mark; and a dark red cow, with a white spot in her forehead, and white under her belly, with short horns, 8 years old, and of the same mark. Posted and appraised, the first and third each to 120l. and the second and fourth to 80l. each. Also the following sheep, viz. a black ewe, marked with a crop in the left ear, and a slit a cross from the underside of the right; a white ewe, marked with a crop in the right ear, and a half crop from the upperside of the left; a white ewe, with a crop and swallow-fork in each ear; a white ewe in the same mark, and painted red behind; a white ewe with a swallow-fork in the left ear, and slit in the right; a white ram, with large horns, a slit in the right ear, and overbit from the left; and a white horned ram, with a crop and slit in the right ear, and a crop and underbit from the left. Posted and appraised, the first to 9l. the second and third to 10l. each; the fourth to 8l. the fifth to 3l. the sixth to 6l. and the seventh to 12l. The owners are desired to make application for the said strays. (1) THOMSON MASON.

TAKEN up in *Fredericksburg*, in *January* last, a negro man, who says his name is JIM, and that he belongs to Capt. *William Randolph* of *Powhatan* county, who is desired to pay charges and take him away. (†) JOHN WELCH.

TAKEN up near the *South Anna* river bridge, a black and white heifer, about three years old, marked with an underkeel in the left ear. Appraised to 50l. (1) JOHN LAMBOTH.

TAKEN up in *James City* county, near Mr. *John Cooper's* mill, a sorrel horse, about 4 feet 6 or 7 inches high, hanging mane and switch tail, branded on the near shoulder T, and has a star in his forehead, some saddle spots on each side, paces naturally, and is shod before. Posted and appraised to 400l.

WILLIAM MULLEN.